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The diagnostic device has the dental tissue examined via a small working channel which is sealed and brought under pressure via a measuring head (40), with measurement of the pressure drop at the end of the pressurization via a pressure measuring instrument (60). The rate of the pressure drop is evaluated for determining the extent of the chemical and/or biological changes in the diseased tissue, e.g. porosity, hardness, light reflection and light absorption, sound reflection and wound absorption, cell structure and electrical conductivity.

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